

Please add a plus sign (+) inside this box → ☐

PTO/SB/21 (6-98)  
Approved for use through 09/30/2000. OMB 0651-0031  
Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

|  |                        |                       |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>TRANSMITTAL FORM</b><br><i>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)</i> | Application Number     | 09/873,842            |
|  | Filing Date            | 6/4/2001              |
|  | First Named Inventor   | Richard A. Cronenberg |
|  | Group Art Unit         | 1744                  |
|  | Examiner Name          |                       |
| Total Number of Pages in This Submission   | Attorney Docket Number | 56154112-6            |

| ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form<br><input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached<br><input type="checkbox"/> Amendment / Response<br><input type="checkbox"/> After Final<br><input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request<br><input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement<br><input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application<br><input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53 | <input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (for an Application)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers<br><input type="checkbox"/> Petition Routing Slip (PTO/SB/69) and Accompanying Petition<br><input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application<br><input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address<br><input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer<br><input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Statement<br><input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund | <input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group<br><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences<br><input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information<br><input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Additional Enclosure(s) (please identify below):<br>PTO Form SB08/A; 5 references cited therein; return receipt postcard. |
| Remarks   |   |   |

COPY OF PAPERS  
ORIGINALLY FILED

### SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

|                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Firm or Individual name | James David Jacobs, Esq. |
| Signature               |                          |
| Date                    | 6/21/2002                |

### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

|  |                          |      |           |
|--|--------------------------|------|-----------|
| I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as <u>first class mail in an</u> envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on this date: <u>6/21/2002</u> |                          |      |           |
| Typed or printed name  | James David Jacobs, Esq. |      |           |
| Signature  |                          | Date | 6/21/2002 |

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 4.2 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.



56154112-6

PATENTS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Richard A. Cronenberg et al.  
Application No.: 09/873,842  
U.S. Filing Date: June 4, 2001  
Title: AUTOMATIC PIPETTE IDENTIFICATION AND DETIPPING  
Group Art Unit: 1744 : 1743  
Examiner: ~~TBA~~ Gorda

COPY OF PAPERS  
ORIGINALLY FILED

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

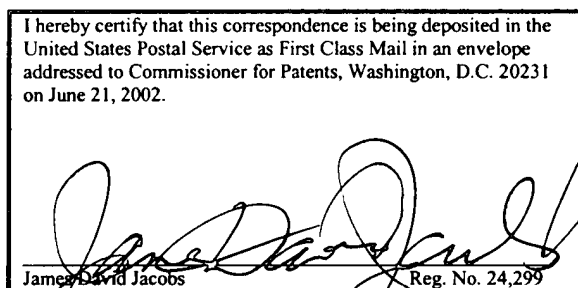
Sir:

1. In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with the procedures of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and M.P.E.P. § 609, attorneys for the Applicants hereby bring the following references, which are listed on the attached modified PTO Form No. 1449 to the attention of the Examiner. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.
2. Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from the International Searching Authority in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.
3. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed and copies of the references listed on the PTO form SB/08A are enclosed.

4. No fee is deemed necessary with the filing of these documents. If a fee is deemed necessary, we authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to charge Deposit Account No.: 02-0393 of Baker & McKenzie.

Dated: June 21, 2002

Respectfully submitted,



*James David Jacobs*

James David Jacobs  
Reg. No. 24,299  
Baker & McKenzie  
805 Third Avenue  
New York, New York 10022  
Telephone (212) 751-5700  
Facsimile (212) 759-9133

RECEIVED  
JUN 22 2002  
TO ITOP MAIL ROOM